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SPORTS



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IS NEVER A KNOCK

OAHU COUNTRY CLUB WILL HAVE SPLENDID 18-HOLE GOLF COURSE

Work of Clearing New Fair Green Will Be Started Next Monday and in About Six Months the Course Will Be Ready for Play—Links Have Been Congested Recently

Within six months the Oahu Country Club will have an 18-hole golf course, and one of the best in the country, at that. The contract has been let for clearing off an additional 35 acres of rolling land, making of the present third hole, and Monday morning the Japanese who has taken over the work will have a force of men engaged in rooting out the miniature jungle of brush and rocks. The new country is ideal for golf, and with two months to clear it and another four to lay out the putting greens and give the turf a chance, the club swimmers should be enjoying the full course early next year.

When completed the course will have a playing distance of approximately 5000 yards. This is not as long as many 18-hole courses, but it is impracticable to string the holes out much further on account of the natural lay of the land, and the course will be so rolling, and the holes so well laid out, that what it lacks in distance it will make up in sound golfing interest.

The new holes, will, for the most part, run mauka of the present third green, up the point of the valley that the club now owns. In fact when the Oahu Country Club purchased its present holdings, ample provision was made for future extensions, so

the club has been put to no additional expense in securing the land. Another bit of ground that will be utilized lies mauka of the first green, and this, too, will be cleared and a new hole made. Practically the whole course will be shifted a trifle, but for the most part the present greens and tees will be utilized.

For some time past the golf course has been too congested on Sundays and other days when the golfing spirit moved any large proportion of the membership. In fact, if the full golfing strength of the club was to turn out, it would be absolutely impossible for everyone to play at the same time. Owing to the nature of the holes, the course does not lend itself to many matches between holes, and the result has been dreary waits for the players ahead to hole out, and consequent blocking of the entire course. Some of the players are not too particular over the etiquette of the game, and there have been many bickerings about passing matches, which have rather spoiled the fun of the game for some.

With the new course all this will be changed. There will be room and to spare for all, and players can get in a round without interruption, to the consequent improvement of both their enjoyment and their golf.

LABOR DAY RACES PROMISE SPORT



UMPQUA

KAPIOLANI PARK TRACK IS BEING PUT IN BEST OF SHAPE FOR MEET

THE KAPIOLANI PARK race track is being worked over in preparation for the Labor Day races, and when the gallopers face the barrier for the first race, the track will be in as good if not better shape than ever before. There are some valuable animals entered in the several events, and their owners can rest assured that they will not come to grief through bad footing.

Work on the grandstand, which is to provide seating accommodations for 3000, will be commenced within a day or so, and the judges' and press stands will be knocked together at the same time.

There is every indication that the crowd which turns out for the races will be a record one, for even with a scratch card like that of the Fourth, the track was overflowing with those who like the sport of the merry-go-round.

Considerable interest is being taken over the two big match races, which gave the meeting its original start. John O'Rourke's speedy filly Sonoma and Louis Warren's Oenonta, which will hook up for the half mile, are conceded to be an evenly matched pair, and it is a matter of personal opinion as to which number will drop when the wire is reached. Both horses are now in training, and are said to be in good shape. The O'Rourke entry is certainly better than she was at the Maui meeting, when Oenonta took her measure.

The match five furlongs between Warren's Umpqua and W. Decoto's Major Collier, is another race and is stirring up a lot of speculation. Some even money bets have been recorded, but it's a bit early for speculation.

OLYMPIC SHOT-PUT BROUGHT OUT SOME REAL EXCITEMENT

By HOWARD VALENTINE.
(New York correspondent who accompanied the American team to Stockholm.)

It is seldom indeed that a crowd of athletic enthusiasts gets excited over a shot-putting competition, but this unusual occurrence was witnessed in the stadium when Nicklander, Finland's great weight-tosser, and Pat McDonald, the American, were pitted against each other. From the very first three showed a marked superiority over the rest of the field, and it was only a question of how far they would beat the others in competition.

The interest in the competition from the spectators' viewpoint was increased tenfold by a novel arrangement by which the onlookers were able to keep tabs on the work of the different men in the competition. Each competitor wore a colored sash about his waist, and the best put of each was marked with a little flag of a corresponding color. The crowd grabbed this method of keeping track of who was ahead in the competition, and because of this fact the competition was probably the most exciting field event ever contested at any Olympiad of modern times.

The management of the Stockholm games kept the crowd in touch with every jump, vault, put or throw that was made in the stadium during the entire meet—something that has never been done before in the history of international meetings.

The first few puts in the "two-hand" shot made the event look like a very close thing for the Americans. Nicklander, the Finn, was as nervous as a school girl and he could not get his put out within two feet of his best record. Rose and McDonald led by a comfortable margin up to the final round of three throws apiece. With all of the right-hand put out of the way the score stood: Rose, 15.23 meters; McDonald, 15.08; and Nicklander, 14.76. Finn Takes Lead.

On his very first left-hand effort in the finals the Finn laid out a beauty that overtopped the green flag of Rose and the yellow of McDonald by a couple of feet. The Finnish section let out a whoop and even Nicklander himself could not refrain from doing a few skittish steps as he moved away from the circle. Rose and McDonald, the Yankee giants, were now "in a hole." Ralph sat on the bench and fingered himself nearly sick. He rubbed his hands with his handkerchief continually, and looked as worried as could be. McDonald was "going" too. He walked about in circles and did not wear the smile he general-

ly displays in Long Acre Square. The first two efforts of both of the Americans were failures, but on the last heave Nicklander outdid himself and put the ball out to 12.43 meters, full six inches beyond his best previous. How the Finns did how!

Rose rushed across to where McDonald was standing. "For goodness sake get him, Pat; I don't think I can. I feel all in," said Ralph, wiping the beads of perspiration from his brow.

"Say, Ralph," answered Pat, "watch this one." Big "Mac" had the circle smothered and stepped into the ring with his face set. Someone in the American section who was watching the athletes through a field glass shouted in a shrill voice, "It's all off, boys, Pat's mad."

McDonald set himself carefully and then let drive. A groan rose from the American seats when it was seen that the ball did not rise as big Pat's put usually do. Instead it went straight out with the speed of an arrow, and before it landed McDonald let out a yell. He knew it was a beauty. The iron ball knocked Nicklander's green and white flag over and dented the turf just three-one hundredths of a meter further away from the circle than the Finn's best left-hand effort.

This put shoved Rose back into third place, but Ralph smiled joyfully and patted McDonald on the back. Nicklander sat on the bench disconsolate and shook his head, his heart was almost broken.

Incidentally the same hull and engine builders are constructing a twenty-six-foot boat for Commodore Blockton which will represent America in the trial races to select a tender for the international trophy, and if she shows the speed of her smaller sister there will be only one boat in at the finish, say Commodore Blockton and his friends.

QNEONTA

MILE A MINUTE MOTOR-BOAT NOW

Hydroplane with 20-Foot Hull Credited with This Remarkable Speed in Trials—Has 230 h. p.

NEW YORK—The mile-a-minute motor boat, like the two-minute trotter, has been a long time coming, but it looks as if it had at last arrived. Commodore J. Stewart Blockton of the Atlantic Yacht Club is sure that the dream of power boat owners and designer has finally come true, and he ought to know, as he owns the boat which is credited with making this remarkable time. In the past few years Mr. Blockton has spent thousands of dollars in an effort to own the fastest power boat afloat, and now believes his fondest hopes are more than realized.

The boat which Commodore Blockton says has covered several trial miles at the rate of sixty miles an hour is the Baby Reliance III, a little twenty-foot hydroplane which on July 5, over a measured mile on the Mississippi river, covered the course in the remarkable time of sixty-seven seconds, which is at the rate of fifty-four statute miles per hour.

Speed of Dixie IV. Heretofore the "Dixie IV" held the world's record with a speed of 45.22 miles per hour. The Dixie, however, is forty feet long, twice as long as the Baby Reliance III, twenty feet.

Baby Reliance III has a twelve-cylinder motor of 230 horsepower. Only a single propeller is used, and C. W. Van Nostrand, who piloted the boat in her Mississippi heats, said that she only turned over 800 revolutions per minute, as against 1,720, her maximum power.

The boat, like most of the Western-built type, exhausts into the air over her port side, and her pilot and engineers had to wear gas protectors or masks over their noses and mouths to escape the exhaust fumes.

Of course, there are those that say that no such speed as claimed for the Baby Reliance III is possible on a boat with only a twenty-foot hull, but Commodore Blockton says the boat has made it and will do it again, possibly at Larchmont next month.

Is Well Balanced. Unlike most hydroplanes, the Baby Reliance III is so well balanced that she does not lift her bow out of the water and skip along on her tail, but rides on a fairly even keel, neither lifting her bow nor settling at the stern.

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GOOD CRICKET FOR TOMORROW

Special Cup Offered for Any Player Making Century and a Half—Hons To Go Against Picked Team

Tomorrow afternoon at the Makiki Oval the Honolulu Cricket Club team will go up against an eleven representing the firms of Bishop & Co., Davies & Co. and E. O. Hall & Son.

A special trophy has been offered by the club, in the form of a cup to be presented to the player making over 150 runs in tomorrow's match. There are quite a number of crack bats in the two teams, which will produce some keen competition.

Players are reminded that play starts at 2:30.

The teams to be represented will be as follows: Bishop-Davies-Hall—T. D. Collins (captain), A. R. Hatfield, P. Jopson, B. Sumner, J. R. McLean, J. Gardiner, R. C. Walker, Young, Macpherson, M. M. Graham, A. Baird, T. Anderson, E. Anderson.

Honolulu C. C.—R. Anderson (captain), Dr. Benz, A. Marshall, H. G. Winkler, W. Deane, D. L. Withington, J. Fiddes, G. Marshall, J. Tucker, C. F. Maxwell, L. G. Blackman, Brown, C. Osborne, H. Bailey, J. A. Dunbar, D. W. Anderson, L. Withington, J. Reardon.

CONNIE MACK HAS NOT SURRENDERED

It is noted that the Athletics are winning more games now—days than formerly. Connie Mack was asked the other day what he had to say about the race in the American League, and this is what he said: "We are not out of the race. Don't you think it? Don't you count us out just yet. The season is not over by any means. Just tell Stahl and Griffith they must not slip if they intend to win the championship. For if either of them does slip look out for us. We are going to stick around the top, and—well, the season is not over."

TWO GOLFING EVENTS SUNDAY

Two golfing events are on the calendar for Sunday, but it seems likely that neither will interfere with the other to any marked extent. At Haleiwa a bogey handicap will be contested, for a trophy put up by the hotel management, while on the Country Club course a medal play competition will be decided.

A number of local golfers have signified their intention of taking part in the Haleiwa event, but they are not men who have been playing regularly in the Country Club tournaments, so there is no prospect of thinning the entry list to any great degree. Haleiwa will get a fair-sized delegation of golfers from Schofield Barracks, practically every club-swinging in the post having accepted the invitation to come down and play the sporty seaside course. Then there will be the usual Haleiwa crowd, re-

THIS IS AN OFF- YEAR IN ALL LEAGUES

Boston Club Promises To Be Big Financial Success for the New Owners—Gossip of the Big Leagues

If the Boston club wins the American League pennant of 1912 it will do for President James R. McAleer, Treasurer Robert B. McRoy and Manager Garland (Jake) Stahl what the Chicago Cubs did for Charles W. Murphy in 1906.

McAleer left his managerial berth at Washington, McRoy quit his position as private secretary to President H. B. Johnson, and Stahl secured leave of absence of his bank when the trio secured a joint half interest in the Boston club. The price was said to be in the neighborhood of \$175,000 without the new stands which were subsequently built.

C. W. Murphy, in behalf of himself and Charles P. Taft, closed an option on the Cubs in the fall preceding the season of 1906. The price, including stands but not real estate, was said to be \$105,000. In the first year of the new ownership the club won a pennant for the first time in twenty years. The profits nearly paid back the purchase price the first season.

Of course, Boston will not begin to pay back its purchase price even if it wins a pennant and figures in the world's series, for baseball values of franchise as well as expenditures for parks have risen since 1906, but a pennant certainly would give the new owners, who are popular all over the circuit, a good boost on the road to prosperity.

There is another reason why the profits might not mount as high as some would expect. This year has been an off season in baseball so far. Neither major league is doing the business it should, while many minor leagues which survived July 4 are tottering. Of course, the unfavorable weather in the East and Central West at the time when the season was opening had much to do with it.

May and June seem months. I don't suppose many fans know that the league financiers figure May and June as the best average months for all the cities. Mind you, this does not mean for the clubs fighting for the pennant, but for the eight clubs in each major league as a whole. By July 1 the tail-enders ordinarily are fairly well established unless it is an exceptional race, and interest begins to fall off in those cities which have no chance.

Natural reasons explain part of the slump this year, but not all of it. Pittsburgh and Chicago have been accustomed to championship clubs and are disappointed at the long lead of the Giants, while even in New York the fact that McGraw's men are so far out in front robs the game of some of their zest. Then Philadelphia and St. Louis are not doing so well as last season, although the Phillies, recovered from their string of injuries, are playing much better ball, and on real dope should pass Cincinnati in the race. Cincinnati started out at a fancy clip and then slumped, always a damper on attendance. Brooklyn is about holding its own in attendance, but the crowds at Boston are a joke.

Off Year, for Sure. In the American League, Philadelphia and Detroit are below average. The crowds at New York and St. Louis, owing to the positions of the clubs, are poor. Boston and Washington, of course, are attracting the fans, although Boston was unfortunate in losing by rain several feature dates at home. Cleveland is nearly holding its own. Chicago started with tremendous crowds when the White Sox were out in front and still gets out big gatherings. In this respect Chicago is peculiar. The White Sox probably have a larger personal following which will follow the club through thick and thin than any club in either circuit.

When it is said and deduced the fact remains that this is an off year. What concerns the profits of the big fellow but does not affect their life in any respect threatens the very existence of the minors. Some leagues have cut down their circuits, while others have transferred clubs and in still others magnates have pocketed their losses, hoping for better times next season.

Informed by Frank Halstead, who has been staying at the hotel for the past few weeks, and who has been turning in some fine cards.

CASTOR OIL NEEDED, TOO. For summer diarrhoea in children always give Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and castor oil, and a speedy cure is certain. For sale by all dealers, Benson, Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.

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CLUBMEN READY DETROIT FANS TO FOR ARMY PLAYERS

Everything is in readiness for the ball game tomorrow afternoon, between the University Club members and the officers of Schofield Barracks. In the rival camps the finishing touches are being put on the players, and when Prince Kuhio shouts "Play Ball!" in the approved fashion, a really good contest should be on.

The soldiers are favorites to land the long end of the score, owing to the fact that they have been practicing for a couple of weeks, and have developed into a ball team that has shown well in practice games. Again, they have played three regular games against the teams of the Schofield Barracks League, and have made a good showing, playing a 3 to 3 tie with the first Fifth Cavalry aggregation.

The clubmen, on the other hand, have only been practicing for a week, and have had no chance to play as a team in a real game. They are all old players, though, and can be trusted to do the right thing at the right time.

Both teams are somewhat shy on pitchers, the soldiers figuring on using two or even three during the game, as they do not think any of their stabbers can stand the strain of a full nine innings. The University Club players have only A. L. Castle to depend on for box work, and if he is batted hard the team will be up against it for a relief. Both sides are likely to slam the ball round considerable, and the fielders will have plenty to do, for a certainty.

A special train is to be run to Schofield after the game, so that post fans can see the fun and still get back for a late dinner. The game is to be started at 3:15, and while no admission will be charged, the hat will be passed, the proceeds to be evenly divided between the Duke Kahanamoku fund and the Army Relief Society. A portion of the grandstand will be reserved for ladies and their escorts, and no "rough stuff" of any sort will be tolerated.

LOST RING FOUND IN OLD BOLT-RIVEN TREE

LIVINGSTON, N. J., Aug. 5.—Walking in the woods near here, two young farmers came upon an old tree which had been split in half by lightning two nights ago.

While examining the tree the youths saw a ring glistening in the wound. The circlet bore the inscription "To

CELEBRATE "TY COBB DAY"

Celebrations of anniversaries in baseball being the proper caper just now, as witness the dinner given John J. McGraw on the completion of his tenth year as manager of the New York Giants, Detroit fans can, if they so desire, have a hip-hip-hurrah this on August 30 next and make a "Ty" Cobb day of it. For it was on August 30, 1905, that the swatting Southerner played his first game in the junior organization.

"Ty's" debut took place in Tiger-ville in a game against the Highlanders, which was a Detroit victory, 5 to 3. Cobb helped the Tigers take the game by rapping out a double, Jack Chesbro being the first big league gunner he faced.

St. Louis fans saw Cobb for the first time on September 2, 1905, when he failed to make a hit off either Ables or Buchanan. Eight days later, on the occasion of his debut in Chicago, Cobb again went hitless, Frank Paderewski Smith being on the rubber for the Sox.

When Cobb played his first game in Cleveland, he touched Bob Rhoades for a single; on his debut in Washington he procured a double off Tom Hughes, and appearing in a Philadelphia ball yard for the first time he collected two hits off "Chief" Bender.

In Cobb's first games in Boston and New York he went hitless, "Cy" Young and Jack Chesbro being the men he faced.

When Cobb made seven successive hits in the double-header played in Philadelphia on July 17 he didn't approach anywhere near the major league record for the number of grimes made in a twin bill. The record, as near as baseball archeologists can agree, was established on July 13, 1897, by Ed Delahanty of the Phillies in a double-header with Louisville. Going to bat nine times, Del peeled off eight singles and a triple.

The St. Louis Browns will be in Nashville on August 30, which day undoubtedly will be made some kind of a "Ty" Cobb affair if the thumping Tiger continues mauling the pitchers as he is now doing.

Julie Henderson from John, May 1, 1879."

It is thought some visitor lost the ring many years ago, when the tree was but a sapling, and that it became imbedded in the trunk.

Governor Baldwin has accepted on invitation to attend the Wilson notification meeting at Sea Girt.

ATHLETIC PARK

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 1912 3:15 P. M.

BASEBALL

University Club vs. Army Officers

ADMISSION FREE

Proceeds from voluntary collection will be divided half to Duke Fund and half to Army Relief Fund.